

C L A I M A M E N D M E N T S

The following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application. A status identifier is provided for every claim and the current text of every claim is presented, unless the claim has been cancelled. Current amendments to the claims are expressed in the detailed listing by strikethrough or brackets (for deleted matter) or underlining (for added matter).

Claims 1 - 26 (CANCELLED)

27. (NEW) A method comprising:

receiving, before a player ends a gaming session at a gaming device, a request for monetary output at the gaming device;

determining an amount associated with the request; and

determining an available balance of credit available to a player for wagering at the gaming device, wherein the amount associated with the request is less than the available balance.

28. (NEW) The method of claim 27, further comprising:

providing the amount.

29. (NEW) The method of claim 28, wherein providing the amount comprises:

outputting at least one of coins, bills and tokens based on the amount.

30. (NEW) The method of claim 27, further comprising:

determining an adjusted available balance based on the amount associated with the request.

31. (NEW) An article of manufacture, comprising:

a computer usable medium having a computer readable program means embodied therein for operating a computing device, the computer readable program means in said article of manufacture storing instructions for causing the computing device to:

perform the method of claim 27.

32. (NEW) A gaming device, comprising:
- a memory;
 - a communication port; and
 - a processor connected to said memory and said communication port, said processor being operative to:
 - perform the method of claim 27.

33. (NEW) A method comprising:

- determining a first available balance of credit available for wagering that is associated with a gaming device;
- determining a first portion of the first available balance to be output, the first portion being less than the first available balance;
- providing the first portion;
- determining a second available balance of credit available for wagering that is associated with the gaming device, the second available balance being determined based on the first available balance and the first portion;
- determining a second portion of the second available balance to be output, the second portion of the second available balance being less than the second available balance; and
- providing the second portion.

34. (NEW) The method of claim 33, wherein the first portion is equal to the second portion.

35. (NEW) The method of claim 33, wherein the first portion is not equal to the second portion.

36. (NEW) The method of claim 33, wherein at least one of the first portion and the second portion is determined based on a request from a player identifying the at least one of the first portion and the second portion.

37. (NEW) The method of claim 36, wherein the request from the player identifies an amount of currency to be dispensed from the gaming device.

38. (NEW) The method of claim 36, wherein the request from the player identifies a percentage of at least one of the first available balance and the second available balance.

39. (NEW) The method of claim 33, wherein at least one of the first portion and the second portion is determined based on a rule selected by a player of the gaming device.

40. (NEW) An article of manufacture, comprising:

a computer usable medium having a computer readable program means embodied therein for operating a computing device, the computer readable program means in said article of manufacture storing instructions for causing the computing device to:

perform the method of claim 33.

41. (NEW) A gaming device, comprising:

a memory;

a communication port; and

a processor connected to said memory and said communication port, said processor being operative to:

perform the method of claim 33.

42. (NEW) A method comprising:

determining, for a gaming device, a first balance of credit available for wagering; determining a request to output a first portion of the first available balance, the first portion being less than the first available balance,

wherein the first request identifies a first form in which the first portion is to be provided;

providing the first portion in the first form based on the request;

determining, for the gaming device, a second balance of credit available for wagering based at least on the first portion and the first balance;

receiving a second request to output a second portion of the second balance, the second portion of the second balance being less than the second balance,

wherein the second request identifies a second form in which the second portion is to be provided;

providing the second portion in the second form, based on the request,

wherein at least one of the first form and the second form comprises at least one of coins, bills and tokens dispensed from the gaming device.

43. (NEW) The method of claim 42, wherein at least one of the first form and the second form comprises electronically transferring at least one of the first portion and the second portion to a second gaming device.

44. (NEW) The method of claim 42, wherein the first request is received at a first time and the second request is received at a second time, the second time occurring after the first time.

45. (NEW) An article of manufacture, comprising:

a computer usable medium having a computer readable program means embodied therein for operating a computing device, the computer readable program means in said article of manufacture storing instructions for causing the computing device to:

perform the method of claim 42.

46. (NEW) A gaming device, comprising:

a memory;

a communication port; and

a processor connected to said memory and said communication port, said processor being operative to:

perform the method of claim 42.

47. (NEW) A method, comprising:

determining, for a gaming device, a first balance of credit available for wagering;

determining a request to output a portion of the first available balance, the portion being less than the available balance;

determining a form in which to output the portion, based on the request; and

providing the portion in the determined form.

48. (NEW) The method of claim 47, wherein the form comprises dispensing of at least one of coins, bills and tokens from the gaming device.

49. (NEW) The method of claim 47, wherein the form comprises electronically-transferring credits to a second gaming device.

50. (NEW) An article of manufacture, comprising:

a computer usable medium having a computer readable program means embodied therein for operating a computing device, the computer readable program means in said article of manufacture storing instructions for causing the computing device to:

perform the method of claim 47.

51. (NEW) A gaming device, comprising:
a memory;

a communication port; and

a processor connected to said memory and said communication port, said processor being operative to:

perform the method of claim 47.